

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa.,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

15. Decem., 1885.

My dear Doctor

I have missed you for a number of days past and was very sorry to learn that it was because of illness.

I have your kind letter of this morning and learn that your physician directs you to lie by for a few days longer. We wish you to comply with his instructions to the letter as we cannot afford to have you suffering for any great length of time. Don't give yourself any concern about the business at the Mint: it shall be managed sufficiently well to prevent any embarrassment, though



perhaps not so well as if the Professor  
was here. If you are not well enough  
it won't matter; we think too much  
of you to have you run any risks.

I will say in the line of business  
we are having an industrious time  
this month, and with excellent results.  
I miss the light of your countenance  
very much, especially because it gives  
us comfort when you are here

Believe me

Very truly yours

Dan M. Fox

Superintendent

Prof. J. A. Booth  
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